Building for the Future

Proposed Meal Pattern Changes Versus Best Practices





Infants Proposed Meal Pattern

- Two age groups
 - 0 through 5 months
 - 6 through 11 months



- Better alignment with IOM infant feeding recommendations
 - Not begin solids until 6 months



Infants Proposed Meal Pattern 6 -11 Months

Breakfast

includes infant cereal or meat/meat alternative for infants 6 months of age and up

Snack requires

- 2-4 oz breastmilk/formula
- ¼ ½ oz bread, cracker, ready-to-eat breakfast cereal
- -2 Tbsp fruit, veggie or combo

Infants Proposed Meal Pattern

- Only breastmilk and/or formula through 5 months
- Introduce solids as appropriate and with guidance from parents at 6 months of age
- Reimbursement provided when mother breastfeeds (Employee or Non-employee)
- No fruit juice or cheese/cheese products
- And continue to prohibit serving yogurt



Infants Proposed Meal Pattern 0 through 5 months

Meal	Component/quantity required
Breakfast	4-6 oz breastmilk/formula
Lunch/Supper	4-6 oz breastmilk/formula
Snack	2-4 oz breastmilk/formula



Infants Proposed Meal Pattern 6 through 11 months

Meal	Components/Quantity Required
Breakfast	6-8 oz breastmilk/formula
	1-4 Tbsp cereal/meat/fish/poultry/egg yolk/cooked dry beans or peas or combo
	1-2 Tbsp fruit, veggie or combo
Lunch/supper	6-8 oz breastmilk/formula
	1-4 Tbsp cereal/meat/fish/poultry/egg yolk/cooked dry beans or peas or combo
	1-2 Tbsp fruit, veggie or combo
Snack	2-4 oz breastmilk/formula
	¼ - ½ oz bread, cracker, ready-to-eat breakfast cereal
	1-2 Tbsp fruit, veggie or combo



Infants Best Practices

- Encourage mothers to breastfeed
- Provide a quiet private area for mothers to breastfeed
- Provide materials and other educational opportunities to breastfeeding mothers

Better Meet Nutritional Needs - Handout



ZONE

Proposed Child and Adult Meal Pattern









- New age group for At-Risk Sites: 13 18 year olds
 - same minimum quantities as 6-12 year olds
 - REMEMBER: MINIMUM
- Fruit and vegetables become two separate components for lunch/supper and snack
- Fruit juice and vegetable juice cannot be served at the same meal
- No frying (no added fat or oil when cooking)

Best Practices for Vegetables/Fruit

- Variety of vegetables dark green, red or orange and legumes once per week
- Every snack include one fruit or vegetable
- Limit fruit and vegetable juice to no more than

one serving per day



Proposed Child and Adult Meal Pattern Grains

- Breakfast cereals must meet WIC guidelines (Handout)
- 6 grams sugar per 1 ounce dry cereal
- At least 45% Daily Value iron per 1 ounce dry cereal
- Examples:
 - General Mills Cheerios
 - Kellogg's Frosted Mini Wheats
 - Malt-O-Meal Frosted Mini Spooners
 - Great Value Crisp Rice
 - Hy-Vee Corn Flakes





What's in a Label?

- Read ingredients lists for whole grain content
- Use Nutrition Facts Labels for WIC requirements
- Remember ounces to grams conversion!
 - -1 dry ounce = 2 28 grams















Vitamin A 0%

Calcium 0%

1 oz ÷ 1.9 oz = .53

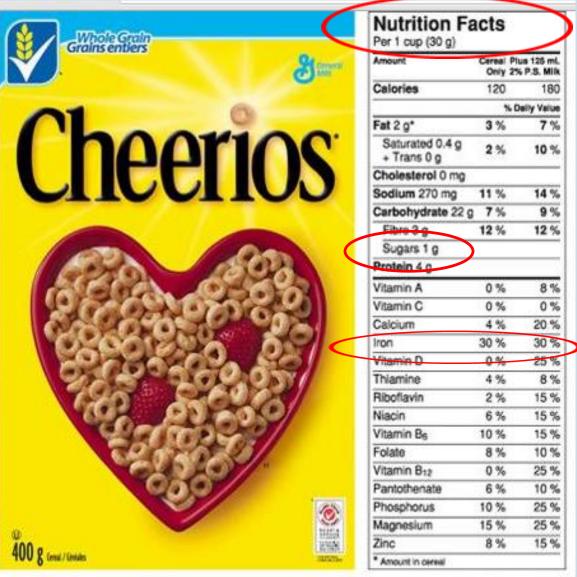
.53 x 9g sugar =4.77 gram sugarin 1 oz

NOT ENOUGH IRON! Only 8% DV



Vitamin C 0%

Iron 8%





Proposed Child and Adult Meal Pattern Grains

- At least one serving daily of whole grain-rich food
- No more grain-based desserts
 - See Grains/Breads list (3-15 Food Buying Guide)
 - Groups D, E, F, G (doughnuts, sweet rolls, toaster pastry, cookies, cake, brownies, etc.)





Best Practices for Grains

Provide at least 2 servings of whole grain-rich per day





Proposed Child and Adult Meal Pattern Meat/Meat Alternate

- Allow meat/meat alternate to count for up to ½ grain requirement at breakfast
 - ½ required amount toast with peanut butter
 - –½ required amount cereal with scrambled eggs
- Allow tofu as meat alternate





Best Practices for Meat/Meat Alternatives

- Serve only lean meats, nuts and legumes
- Limit pre-fried foods to once per week
 - French Fries/Tater Tots (Vegetable)
 - Egg Rolls/Mozzarella Cheese Sticks
 - Deli Fried Chicken
- Processed items no more than once per week
 - Chicken Nuggets
 - Fish Sticks
 - Corn dogs
- Serve Only natural cheeses





Proposed Child and Adult Meal Pattern Milk



- Require <u>ONLY</u> UNFLAVORED WHOLE milk for children 1 year old
- 1% or skim (fat-free) to participants 2 years and older
- Flavored milk must be fat-free

*Adults ONLY: yogurt used as fluid milk once per



Best Practices for Milk

Only unflavored milk to all participants







